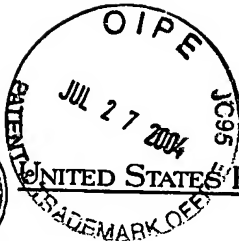


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The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
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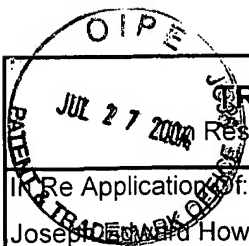
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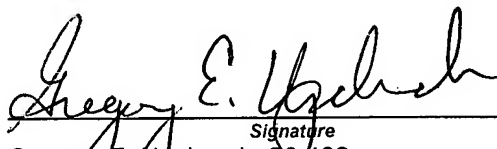
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Five (5) sheets of formal drawing(s) for this application

Each sheet of drawing indicates the identifying indicia suggested in 37 CFR Section 1.84(c) centered within the top margin of the drawing; and

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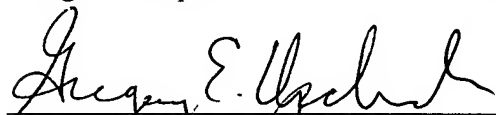
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